



## **Hon. George J. Jordan**

U.S. Administrative Law Judge  
Seattle, Washington

Department of Homeland Security  
United States Coast Guard



Judge George J. Jordan serves as a Coast Guard Administrative Law Judge in Seattle, Washington. Judge Jordan assumed this position in 2010. He hears and decides Merchant Mariner Credential suspension and revocation cases, as well as other cases initiated by the Department of Homeland Security and other agency hearings as assigned by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. Judge Jordan's primary area of responsibility is the Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

In 2009, Judge Jordan became an Administrative Law Judge with the Social Security Administration (SSA). He served at the SSA National Hearing Center in Baltimore, Maryland, where he presided over disability hearings using innovative technologies and procedures to help eliminate case backlogs throughout the country.

Judge Jordan's military career with the Coast Guard began in 1972 as an enlisted member on active duty. Judge Jordan left active duty in 1974, and subsequently commissioned as an officer in the Coast Guard Reserves. In 1979, he returned to active duty and served as a staff attorney in various divisions throughout Coast Guard Headquarters, Office of the Chief Counsel. These assignments included the Regulations and Administrative Law Division, the Military Justice Division, the Legislation Division, and the Vessel Documentation Division of the Office of Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

In 1984, Judge Jordan began his civil service career with the Coast Guard, first serving as Attorney Advisor to the Chief Administrative Law Judge. Next, he served as the Director of Judicial Administration and Senior Counsel to the Chief Administrative Law Judge from 1995-2009. In this regard, he was responsible for the day-to-day management of the Coast Guard Administrative Law Judge Program. During his tenure, he was instrumental in the creation of a central docketing center and the drafting of "Rules of Practice, Procedure and Evidence for Administrative Proceedings of the Coast Guard." Judge Jordan also served as a long-standing member of the Board of Corrections of Military Records for the Coast Guard.

Judge Jordan graduated from Boston College in 1971 and the New England School of Law in 1977. After admission to the Massachusetts Bar, he served as an Assistant District Attorney in Middlesex County, Massachusetts. His awards include the Coast Guard Commandant's Superior Achievement Award, the Commander's Award for Civilian Service, a Commandant's Letter of Commendation, the NOAA General Counsel's Award, and the USCG Judge Advocate General's Spirit of Excellence Award.